



# Natural Resources Appropriations Subcommittee



The Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining actively manages Utah's resources by fostering responsible resource development, protecting public safety, and preserving the environment.



# 2021 Division Highlights

Prevented Lisbon Valley copper mine from going out of business due to Covid-19 issues

- Prevented contamination risks to nearby streams
- Worked quickly to issue new mining permit
- Helped save over 75 jobs in the state's poorest county

Two emergency abandoned mine reclamation projects in Carbon County

- Extinguished coal seam and refuse pile fires ignited by the Bear Wildfire



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## Bear Canyon Mine

- Flash flood damaged entire drainage system
- Worked with mine operator to restore

Plugged 15 orphan wells in Carbon and Emery counties

Increased efficiencies by implementing electronic forms and online reporting



# Building Block Requests

## Additional Attorney General Full Time Position

- Complete essential rulemaking
- Compliance and enforcement penalties

## OGM Process Improvements

- Ongoing staffing request
- One-time data enhancements
  - Upgrade aging database
  - Improve website applications



# THANK YOU

